EXPORT OF GROUNDNUT, GROUNDNUT OIL CAKE, ETC.—APPLICATION FOR PERMITS

365. Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether wholesale merchants have at any time applied for export permits for groundnut, groundnut oil cake, gingilly seeds and such other articles stocked in large quantities by them but could not find a market in the State;

(*b*) whether such requests have been refused;

(*c*) if so, on what ground;

(*d*) is it a fact that great delay occurs in the Food Supply Director's Office even for issuing a refusal or sanctioning order in such cases?

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Minister for Food and Education)*:

(*a*) Yes; but it cannot be said that these applications were made only because such articles could not find a market in the State.

(*b*) Some of them have been rejected and others allowed.

(*c*) It was not proper to allow the articles to leave the country in the interest of the people here. When the stock position of the article concerned is unsatisfactory, no permit is issued for all items except groundnuts. In the case of groundnuts, the arrangement with the Madras Government necessitates that permit shall be given only to Madras Presidency. Permits were generally given for consignments of groundnut cake covered by intransit certificates. Permits were generally refused for consignments not covered by intransit certificates. Even on consignments for which permits were issued, requests for revalidation were refused in cases where the parties did not make the export in a reasonable period.

(*d*) No avoidable delay is caused. Delays occur when papers have to be sent out for verification regarding the correctness of the statement of parties and to get other like information.

SPEECH OF THE MINISTER FOR FOOD AND EDUCATION AT THE LABOUR MINISTERS' CONFERENCE—REFERENCE TO COCHIN GOVERNMENT

366. മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എ. രാഘവൻ : താഴെ എഴുതുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു് ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ഗവൺമെണ്ടിൽനിന്നും സദയം മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

(എ) ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട വിദേവ വിദ്യാഭ്യാസമന്ത്രി ഇയ്യിടെ ഓൾ ഇൻഡ്യാ പ്രൊവിൻഷ്യൽ അൺഡ് സ്റ്റോറ്സ് ലേബർ മന്ത്രിമാരുടെ യോഗത്തിൽ (ഡൽഹി) ഹാജരായി ചെയ്ത പ്രസംഗത്തിന്റെ പൂരുക്കം മലയാളപത്രങ്ങളിൽ പ്രസിദ്ധപ്പെടുത്തിയിരുന്നതു് ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ഗവൺമെണ്ടിന്റെ ദൃഷ്ടിയിൽ പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ടോ;

(ബി) കൊച്ചിരാജ്യഭരണകൂടത്തിനു് കൊച്ചി മഹാരാജാവു് തിരുമനസ്സിലെ ഗവൺമെണ്ടു് അല്ലെങ്കിൽ കൊച്ചി ഗവൺമെണ്ടു് എന്നല്ലെ നാമകരണം ചെയ്തിട്ടുള്ളതു്.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. ഗോവിന്ദമേനോൻ :

(എ) ഉണ്ടു്.

(ബി) അതെ, രണ്ടു തരത്തിലും പറയാറുണ്ടു്.

FOOD SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT—STRENGTHENING OF FOR THE EFFECTIVE WORKING OF COCOANUT OIL AND OIL CAKE CONTROL

367. Mr. Paramel Ipe Ipe *(Kunanamkulam)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the Government has any idea to strengthen the Food Supplies Department staff to effectively work the cocoanut oil and copra control order;

(*b*) if so, to what extent and by how many hands at what pay?

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Minister for Food and Education)*:

(*a*) & (*b*) One clerk on Rs. 40—60 in the Office of the Director of Food Supplies and one clerk on Rs. 25—40 in the Office of the Assistant Supply Officer, Mattancheri were appointed in connection with control of copra, cocoanut oil, etc. There is no idea at present to strengthen the staff further.

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